

liberties of this country are entrusted to his care mountains of gold can not shake his fidelity. His wisdom, prudence, and valor have won the admiration and esteem of mankind, rich in the hearts of his countrymen, broadly variegated with good wishes, edged around with the golden opinions of the American people.

We give to him a nation's thanks,  
In honor to his name,  
And after death a monument  
As lasting as his fame.

To his memory a pillar shall be reared;  
A tomb shall be laid,  
The noblest tribute on earth,  
That man can give the dead.

Which were read the first time

Mr. Poteet submitted the following

#### JOINT RESOLUTION.

*Resolved*, That it is the sense of the General Assembly of Maryland, that those men who have faithfully served their country in the field during the late war, should be preferred, (all other things being equal, in the appointment of officers for all Local, State and National positions,) as a deserved recognition of the patriotic and heroic services they have rendered the country;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Brown submitted the following

#### JOINT RESOLUTION.

*Resolved by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That this General Assembly cordially endorse the message of Governor Swann, communicated to the Senate and House of Delegates on the 11th day of January, 1866;

Which was read the first time.

Mr. Barron moved that the rules be suspended, and the resolution read the second time;

Which was decided in the negative.

Mr. Silver submitted the following

#### JOINT RESOLUTION.

Relating to suffrage in the District of Columbia.

WHEREAS, the question of granting unqualified suffrage to the negroes of the District of Columbia is now being seriously agitated by the National Legislature;